

NEW! Continuous Brief Browse described for Library Staff

New WISCAT (AGent) simultaneously searches the Wisconsin Union Database, over thirty Wisconsin Z39.50 host library catalogs, and other resources such as the Library of Congress catalog.

The screenshot displays the WISCAT Simple Search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs: Staff Menu, Sign Out, Simple Search (active), Alpha Browse & Numbers, Advanced Search, and Help. Below the navigation bar is a search area with a text input field, a dropdown menu set to 'All Headings', and buttons for Search and Reset. The main content area is titled 'A Demo Library' and includes links for My Preferences and View My Cart. Below this is a section for My Web Links, which is expanded to show a list of resources. The resources are organized into three columns. The first column lists various Wisconsin catalogs, including WISCAT, Bi-County Lib (BCLIC), Edgewood College (Madison), Fox Valley Technical College, Gateway Technical College, Janesville Public Library, Kenosha Public Library, Lakeshore Technical College, M.O.R.E. Consortium, Marquette University (Milwaukee), Menomonee Falls Public Library, Mid-State Technical College, and Milwaukee County Library System. The second column lists other Wisconsin catalogs, including Moraine Park Technical College, Northcentral Technical College, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Northern Waters Lib Serv, OWLSNet, Southwest Library Sys, SWITCH Consortium, UW-Colleges, UW-Eau Claire, UW-Green Bay, UW-LaCrosse, UW-Madison, UW-Milwaukee, and UW-Oshkosh. The third column lists other resources, including UW-Parkside, UW-Platteville, UW-River Falls, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Stout, UW-Superior, UW-Whitewater, Waukesha County Technical College, WAVE Consortium, Winding Rivers (WRLSWEB), and Wisconsin Valley Library Service (V-Cat). At the bottom of the list, there is a section for Other Resources, which includes the Library of Congress. The interface also includes a Clear Checkmarks button and a Bottom of Page link.

Simple Search (keyword) with available resources displayed

A function called Continuous Brief Browse (CBB) displays a default of 20 results per resource. Bibliographic records from the faster resources are presented quickly instead of making a user wait for every selected resource to finish responding.

CBB continues to search in the background, collect results, and queue those results until all resources have finished responding. If more than 20 results are available from the selected resources, a user can be looking through the first set of results while additional sets are being constructed. If an item wanted is not found in the first set returned, the user can access the next set, etc.

NOTE: The default number of "hits" to display per resource can be changed by a library, or by a user logged in with a patron barcode validated by a user record created by library staff in WISCAT.

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Searching Completed
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Search Info: Search For knitting in: Title, Sort Results By: Alphabetically by Title, Qualifiers: None, Your Library: A Demo Library, Scoping Level: 0, Results Per Page: 20

Database Name/Description	Results	Database Name/Description	Results	Database Name/Description	Results
WISCAT		Milwaukee County Library System	178	UW-Milwaukee	17
WISCAT	808	Moraine Park Technical College	18	UW-Oshkosh	10
Other Wisconsin Catalogs		Northcentral Technical College	5	UW-Parkside	4
Bi-County Lib. (BCLIC)	57	Northeast Wisconsin Technical College	0	UW-Platteville	6
Edgewood College (Madison)	0	Northern Waters Lib. Serv.	64	UW-River Falls	0
Fox Valley Technical College	7	OWLSNet	106	UW-Stevens Point	7
Gateway Technical College	5	Southwest Library Sys	119	UW-Stout	65
Janesville Public Library	140	SWITCH Consortium	12	UW-Superior	7
Kenosha Public Library	158	UW-Colleges	4	UW-Whitewater	15
Lakeshore Technical College	4	UW-Eau Claire	5	Waukesha County Technical College	4
M.O.R.E. Consortium	120	UW-Green Bay	8	WAVE Consortium	404
Marquette University (Milwaukee)	19	UW-LaCrosse	11	Winding Rivers (WRLSWEB)	0
Menomonee Falls Public Library	42	UW-Madison	190	Wisconsin Valley Library Service (V-Cat)	289
Mid-State Technical College	8				

PRINT EMAIL SAVE IMAGE ON Results Display Mode: Group by Resource

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☐ Select All/Clear All

- ☐ 12 easy knitting projects / Peg Blanchette & Terri Thibault ; illustrations by Norma Jean Martin-Jourdenais. ; Blanchette, Peg, 1949- ; 2006 ; Williamson Books, ; 63 p. : col. ill. ; 29 cm. ; (ocm)62089861 **Locations: (4)**
- ☐ 24-hour knitting projects / by Rita Weiss. ; Weiss, Rita. ; 2004. ; Sterling Pub., ; 127 p. : ill. ; 29 cm. ; (ocm)56318147 **Locations: (25)**
- ☐ 250 creative knitting stitches : includes slip stitch mosaics, cross stitch patterns and panels, cable panels. ; 1998. ; Collins & Brown, ; col. ill. ; 30 cm. ; (ocm)40544397 **Locations: (7)**
- ☐ 322 machine knitting stitches. ; Harmony guide to machine knitting stitches. Volume 1. ; 1991. ; Sterling Pub. Co., ; 96 p. : ill. (some)

Click *Next Set* to see more search results

Search Summary and list of results displayed

Results arranged by search resource is interesting but for interlibrary loan purposes staff are encouraged to combine the search results from all selected resources by changing the Results Display Mode from *Group by Resource* to Sort by Title, Sort by Author, or Sort by Date. Each unique bibliographic record displayed will have all matching holdings from the WISCAT union catalog and the selected Z39.50 host catalogs added to the results display.

A record from any of the catalogs can be chosen to display; any matching record may be used to submit an interlibrary loan request. After a request is submitted, WISCAT (AGent) again searches all resources to identify matching holdings.

WISCAT (AGent) then automatically

1. checks the list of holdings against the library's list of Preferred Lenders and Systemwide Lenders list;
2. checks each owning library's ILL policy in WISCAT to find out if a potential lender is willing to loan the requested format; and
3. checks the Z39.50 catalogs of potential lenders for current availability (On the Shelf, Available, etc.)